

Belmont Housing Trust
Action Plan 2018 – 2019 DRAFT

In Spring 2018, the Trust’s Housing Production Plan (HPP) was approved by the Planning Board, the Board of Selectmen and the Commonwealth’s Department of Housing and Community Development. The HPP aims to achieve the following goals: 1) Create more community housing options for seniors; 2) Create more community housing options for young/newly formed families; 3) Create more community housing options for extremely and very low-income households. To advance these goals, the HPP identifies five strategies which the HT plans to advance over the next year using this Action Plan.

Strategies	Actions	Month	Year-End Goals
1. Maximize Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request briefing from Planning Board on their review/actions • Conduct three community TOD conversations led by Metro West Collaborative Development • Develop year-end summary report with future goals outlined 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September: Update from Planning Board at HT meeting • September: Request Metro West initiate planning three community conversations and/or consider how to support Planning Board if they undergo similar effort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-generated ideas for Waverly • Increased ongoing resident awareness of and increased participation in local meetings
2. Focus on the revitalization and preservation of existing community housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet with Belmont Housing Authority’s Executive Director to identify priorities • Consider whether to issue an RFP to identify a consultant for site development 	<p>October: Invite Jaclyn Martin to HT meeting</p> <p>November: Review status or consideration of RFP</p>	Identify specific redevelopment and renovation opportunities for Belmont’s existing community housing stock

3. Support the redevelopment of underutilized sites	<p>Identify whether Planning Board maintains a list of redevelopment opportunities and underutilized sites or has an interest developing a list.</p> <p>Conduct a meeting with Belmont faith leaders to present the HPP and discuss ways they can be part of the community conversation to advance affordable housing</p>	<p>November: Request update from PB on this list</p> <p>November: Invite faith leaders to HT meeting</p>	<p>Create a list of underutilized sites and identify redevelopment opportunities</p> <p>Local faith institutions prioritize affordable housing for any future potential redevelopment of their sites</p>
4. Use CPA funds creatively for new programmatic activities.	<p>Host a panel discussion with housing developers and a representative from Massachusetts Housing Partnership. Focus on lessons from other communities, ways that communities signal their openness to development</p> <p>Consider issuing an RFP with the \$250K signaling we're ready/open for development.</p>	<p>September: Invite 3-4 developers and MHP representative to HT meeting</p> <p>October: Review status or consideration of RFP</p>	Spend the money to advance HPP goals

<p>5. Broaden awareness of housing needs and Fair Housing responsibilities</p>	<p>Host Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston</p> <p>Host Metro West to present on Mayors' Housing Production Goal</p>	<p>October: Develop marketing content and promotion plan for the tax credit opportunity</p> <p>November: Request Metro West present on Mayors' Housing Production Goal</p> <p>October: Plan a training in December or January for people interested in assisting Bradford applicants</p> <p>December: Develop new HT website content that promotes and builds awareness about Belmont's community housing goals</p> <p>January: Invite Fair Housing Center to HT meeting</p>	<p>Increased access to information for residents, prospective residents and developers on Belmont's affordable housing and development opportunities</p>
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Monthly Housing Trust Meetings

September	Discussion with 3-4 developers and MHP representative; Update from PB on TOD efforts; Discuss with Metro West their planning of three community conversations and/or consider how to support Planning Board if they undergo similar effort
October	Discussion with Jaclyn Martin from Housing Authority; Plan a training for people interested in assisting Bradford applicants; Develop marketing content and promotion plan for the tax credit opportunity
November	Discussion with Belmont faith leaders; Request Metro West present on Mayors' Housing Production Goal; Review PB list of redevelopment opportunities and underutilized sites; Review status or consideration of RFP to identify a consultant for Housing Authority/community housing site development
December	Review status or consideration of RFP with the \$250K signaling we're ready/open for development; Review new HT website content that promotes and builds awareness about Belmont's community housing goals
January	Discussion with Fair Housing Center; review Bradford marketing; conduct training for people interested in assisting Bradford applicants
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